

January 8, 2009

**POWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING**

A local/state public hearing was held at the Powell County Board of Education on January 7, 2009, at 7:00pm (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Powell County Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 13-0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the new plan.

There were nine (9) individual(s) in attendance in addition to the hearing officer. Darren Farmer, Powell County Judge Executive, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. John C. Gilbert, RossTarrant Architects; Monroe Jones, Facility Director; Donna Hale, School Attorney; Doris Mullins, Finance Director; Evelyn Neely, Superintendent; Gary Thompson, Board Member; Evelyn Faulkner, Board Member; David Griffin, Board Member; and Diann Meadows, Board Member were present.

COMMENTS

Monroe Jones, Powell County Facilities Director, called the public hearing to order. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan that includes: **Renovations and additions as a priority 1c for Powell County High School and renovations and additions as priority 2 items for Powell County High School, Powell County Middle School, Bowen Elementary and Clay City Elementary. Stanton Elementary is showing to have a new 400-student elementary school (priority 2b) with the old school converted to an Alternative Education Center (priority 2c). Priority 3 items include an auditorium at the high school and priority 4 includes moving the Central Office in with the Alternative Education Center into the existing Stanton Elementary, renovations at the Maintenance Center and renovations at the Bus Garage. The current District Need noted totals \$35,773,051.00 in accordance with the current proposed KDE cost opinions utilizing the ¾ Means methods.**

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. No statements were made by those in attendance.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Powell County Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Powell County Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Powell County School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Darren Farmer
Hearing Officer

Tim Lucas, Architect
Kentucky Department of Education

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director
Planning File

Attachments: Local/State Board Public Hearing Agenda
Powell County School District Facility Plan